

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA

UNSAFE HEARING BOARD

JULY 21, 2020

5:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Unsafe Hearing Board of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 330 North Main Street Suite 200 Rushville Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Gary Cameron, Darrin McGowan, Ron Jarman, and Dr. John Williams answered roll call. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

PUBLIC HEARING: 986 South State Road 3 - Director Jenkins informed the Board that this property is south of town next to Frenches Insurance. He first received a complaint of high grass. When he went to check the property he found that it was also unsecured. He secured the best that he could. He then sent notice to the bank and the Beelers that they need to cut the grass. When Jenkins went back to see if the grass had been cut he found that the property was unsecured again. He asked the Street Department to secure the property. Another notice was sent to the bank and Beelers. A foreclosure has been filed. Mr. Beeler came in and paid the invoice for securing the structure. He informed Jenkins that he would not be mowing the property. Jenkins said this is a public nuisance, a fire hazard, and an invitation for unwanted animals. He has heard nothing from the bank. He said he is ready to move forward with removal of the property. Williams moved to close the public hearing. Cameron seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

MINUTES: McGowan moved to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2020 meeting as presented. Williams seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **832 E US 52** – This property has been cleaned up. It will be removed from our list of properties.
2. **329 E 6th** – Jenkins said the structure has been removed including the garage. The concrete drive still needs to be removed. Jenkins said Bill Emerson did a very good job with the removal. This property will also be removed from our list.
3. **220 W 3rd** – We plan to remove the structure around the middle of August.

4. **226 N Main** – Jenkins reported that the plastic over the window has been moved to the inside. He presented the Board with a copy of letter and a picture. Jarman asked if a letter was sent to the IRS. Jenkins said yes it was sent. The last he had any contact from anyone was from the owner's daughter in May. At that time he asked for a written plan of action. The owner's son is living in the apartment. Jenkins said he does not think it is unsafe. The original notice was sent April 2, 2020. These are minimum standard violations for non-residential property. Water is getting inside the open window causing damage. Cameron made a motion to set for hearing. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
5. **251 N Main** – Joyce Miller is the owner of the property. Jenkins received an email on July 17 stating that she is applying for certificate of approval from DNR for a grant. She said it could take 30-60 days before she knows if she will be awarded the funding. She is getting estimates on the roof. She would like to get the repairs done in the next few months. Jenkins said she applied for the grant the 1st of July. In April he asked for a plan of action. Per Miller's June email Double E Roofing had penciled her in for the job for late July or early August. Cameron made a motion to order the property re-roofed within 60 days and to have Jenkins inspect the building after 30 days. Jarman seconded the motion. Motion carried.
6. **986 S State Road 3** – Williams moved to affirm Jenkins' order. Cameron seconded the Motion. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE: None.

ADJOURN: There was no further business to come before the Board; the meeting adjourned at 5:24 p.m.